



DINNER ON MARCH 17 deserves a salad like this colorful combination of cream cheese balls and grapefruit sections molded in green-tinted gelatin.

St. Patrick's Day Special-A Salad

Here's a fancy-dress molded salad with a green color and festive appearance to make it a pretty choice for St. Patrick's Day. Plump, juicy grapefruit sections shimmer through green-tinted gelatin. Cream cheese balls add accent.

- ST. PATRICK'S SALAD MOLD**
- 1 pkg. (3-oz.) cream cheese
 - 2 env. unflavored gelatin
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 1/4 tsp. salt
 - 3/4 cups canned grapefruit juice, divided
 - 3 cups grapefruit sections, divided
 - 1/4 cup dried pimiento
- Salad greens
Few drops green food coloring

Form cream cheese into 8 small balls; chill.
Mix together gelatin, sugar and salt in saucepan. Add 1 cup of the grapefruit

juice. Place over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until gelatin is thoroughly dissolved. Remove from heat; add remaining 2 1/4 cups grapefruit juice and few drops green food coloring. Chill.

Arrange a few of the grapefruit sections, cream cheese balls and pieces of pimiento in a 5-cup ring mold to make attractive design. Spoon in a little of the chilled gelatin and chill until almost firm.

Chill remaining gelatin until the consistency of un-beaten egg white. Fold in 1 1/2 cups grapefruit sections and remaining pimiento. Spoon into mold; chill until firm. Unmold and fill center with salad greens, remaining grapefruit sections and cream cheese balls.
Yield: 8 servings.

'My Favorite Seafood' Topic of New Contest

You may be \$20 richer this month if your recipe is chosen best in the "My Favorite Seafood" recipe contest conducted by Mary Wise. Whether you like seafood best in a salad, soup, sandwiches, casserole (or served with a special sauce)—whatever your favorite, send it to Mary Wise, care of this newspaper. If your entry wins, you will receive a \$20 merchandise order from any grocery store advertising in this paper.

Your entry must be post-marked no later than March 13. Anyone may enter except employees of this newspaper. One entry per envelope, please.
Winner will be announced April 7.

CONTINENTAL DESSERT

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It's the Lenten Season

BUT DON'T 'LENT' THAT STOP YOU

Stop you, that is, from making the rounds of some of the better dine-outeries in the Torrance-South Bay area and environs. Most of our dinner houses present a menu or a part thereof, for those of us who observe the Lenten season right down to the fine print. Come to think of it, there are few restaurants that don't feature a pretty wide selection of seafoods anyway, the year 'round.

Let's look for a moment at the Early Thunderbird Dinners inaugurated in the Smith Bros. Indian Village Restaurant in Torrance. These exciting meals at only \$2.75 per person offer a selection of 10 delectable entrees from which to choose.

With emphasis on fish and seafood, traditional specialties of Smith Bros. restaurants, the early dinners also include oven-baked disjointed chicken, roast beef, chopped sirloin steak and tenderloin of beef. Of particular excellence are broiled halibut, fried Guaymas shrimp and baked sea bass.

This dining policy was instituted by Manager Virginia Haack and the early-hour dinners are served daily from 4 to 6:30 p.m. On Sundays from 11:30 a.m. 'til 4 p.m. Indications are that such astonishingly low dining costs will introduce new value-minded guests to the culinary delights of the Indian Village.

Early Thunderbird Dinners are available to children up to 12 years of age at \$1.50 (these are the Papooses) and theirs are equally complete as those dishes served their parents.

Dinners include entrees, Pocahontas Cart appetizers, salad, potato, buffalo rolls and beverage. Servings are as generous as they are delectable, endowed with the same masterful preparations as all dinners at the Indian Village Restaurant.

Say now, there's a comparatively new spot down there along the beach front in Redondo called the Lazy Lantern, which is owned and operated by one Lorri Bishop, a most enterprising young lady with some know-how and ability to surround herself with the same kind of know-how.

Currently featured at the Lazy Lantern is folk and flamenco entertainer Lydia Goya who appears for your enjoyment each Friday and Saturday night, along with another folk-Spanish bluesie guitarist, Nico Morocco.

Miss Bishop has owned and operated the Lazy Lantern now for about 6 months and most successfully, and as you know, the past six months is always the "dead" season along the beach-front. Well now with the nicer weather just around the corner, with Lorri's stick-to-itiveness plus a little help from all hands, including the bartenders, Dave and Jerry, who are both the epitome of loyalty, she's a lead-pipe cinch for a real swingin' season with lots more to follow.

Located at 117 Bond St. in Redondo Beach, the Lazy

Lantern's open every day from 10 in the aye'm 'til 2 the following aye'm. They're just across from Fisherman's Wharf so drop by one nite soon.

Stopped into Mary's Pizza spot at 17314 Crenshaw last Friday night and Joe D'Angelo "laid" a pizza on us that wouldn't quit. Intended bringing it home as a treat for the family butcha know what? By the time we drove from there to Santa Monica, the thing was gone. Okay, you try riding in a closed car for 25 miles with a hot pizza wafting its irresistible aromas across your nostrils and see

how far you get! Joe says that one of the things that puts Mary's Pizzas over in such a big way is the use of "Home-Made Dough" and not being much of a baker—we're going to accept that—especially after sampling same. They've got 'em in all kinds of combinations like cheese and tomato, meat ball, mushroom, anchovy, green bell pepper, onion, just you name it and it's there, and in the 13-inch and 16-inch sizes ranging in price from \$1.25 to \$2.25. And then there's Joe's Special, three bucks and a quarter to three bucks where you get the "full treatment."

Open daily except Monday



TONGUE-STENESS... Our fair lady shown here is none other than Audrey Hepburn "at her best" from a scene in "My Fair Lady," showing at the Rolling Hills Plaza Theatre in a premier engagement March 30 and 31. The two day attraction is sponsored by the South Torrance Lions for the Blind.

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at four o'clock. Mary's Pizza is located directly across the street from McDonald's Drive In in Torrance, so you can't miss it.

On the Lenten specials bit for a moment, that Lenten Seafood Special, Rose and Louis Song have at their beautiful Tea House Restaurant is something else. It's served Mondays through Sunday and at the low, low cost of \$2.75.

While we're on the subject of the Tea House, if you've never caught "Benny's" act down there in the friendly cocktail lounge, you should make it soon as possible. He does everything with that uke but turn it loose. Even swings the thing around in the air over his head and plays whole tunes with the one hand. He's really something. More especially for a most happy fella—that sees nothing but darkness, both day and night. Go on back and see Benny next time you dine at the Tea House.

How this guy finally became a bartender will forever remain a mystery but Harry Tracton got to relating some of the things Jim Curran has done over the years and it was amazing. Jim is currently a mixologist at the Plush Horse Restaurant in Redondo Beach.

Seems that in addition to horse racing and bike chasing, Sir James was also an associate and close friend of one of boxing's leading promoters, Mike Jacobs, Jim himself quite an accomplished scrapper.

Combine these activities with stock market brokerage, of all things, and you know this is a well-rounded guy in a worldly way. Jim's "done time" behind the bar (that's singular!) in Miami (where he knew Harry) as well as the old Mo-combo and the Hollywood Brown Derby here in Los Angeles. Quote a golfer, too, this cat. Shoots in the high 70s, he does.

So next time you stop by the Plush Horse Restaurant, be impressed, please, with the gent that's serving 'em up for you. Quite a guy! And by all means, remember.

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SULTRY SONGSTRESS... The sexy and voluptuous lady shown above is the talented singer of songs "in the intimate vein appearing at the International Hotel, along with the Mariano Moreno Trio in the Trophy Lounge. Now would this not be a trophy? She's Lori Hilton, a crowd-pleaser and definitely a room-filler. (Hm-ma-h-h, YES!)

The donations of \$5 per person for this exceptional charity is to go toward activities for the blind. Very worthwhile, gentlemen. Space won't allow us to list the various places in the Southland where tickets are available but they ARE obtainable at all Southern California Mutual Agencies. However, if you put in a call to the Rolling Hills Plaza Theatre you're sure to be informed as to just where you may purchase tickets for this outstanding event.

Now here's a worthy cause! Also a worthy presentation. It's the gala premier engagement of "My Fair Lady" at the Rolling Hills Plaza Theatre on March 30 and 31 and sponsored by the South Torrance Lions.

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